



DECISION RECORD

Gloucester City Council

Publication Date 12 October 2023

Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	11 October 2023	Item No.	7
Title	Armed Forces Community Covenant Update		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Communities and Neighbourhoods (Councillor Raymond Padilla)		
Report Author	Isobel Johnson, Community Wellbeing Officer		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	No

DECISION:

RESOLVED that work undertaken to support current and ex-service personnel as part of the Council's ongoing commitment to the Covenant is endorsed.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The Council are committed through the Gloucestershire Armed Forces Community Covenant to work in partnership and act together to honour the covenant. The council encourage support for the Armed Forces Community working and residing in the City and work to recognise and remember the sacrifices that they have, and continue to make.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

There are no alternative options for consideration.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

SCRUTINY (including details of call-in procedure where applicable):

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Call-in Deadline: 19 October 2023

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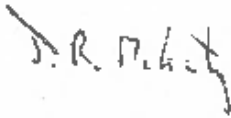
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Item No.

8

Title

City Centre Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan

Report Of

Cabinet Member for Planning and Housing Strategy (Councillor Stephanie Chambers)

Report Author

Ullin Jodah McStea, Principal Conservation Officer

Wards Affected

All Wards

Key Decision

No

DECISION:

RESOLVED that the draft Gloucester City Centre Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan is approved for consultation amongst the public and interested parties in the city centre.

REASON FOR DECISION:

To strengthen and update the relevance of the Gloucester City Centre Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

To continue without updating the Appraisal and Management Plan. The extant document, produced in 2007 would become increasingly outdated and irrelevant, potentially exposing the Council to challenge and resistance to its efforts to improve the city centre.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

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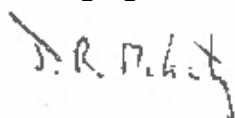
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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	11 October 2023	Item No.	9
Title	Financial Monitoring: Quarter 1 2023-2024		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor Hannah Norman)		
Report Author	Hadrian Walters, Accountancy Manager		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	No
DECISION:			
RESOLVED that:			
(1) it is noted that the forecast year end position is currently for a decrease to the Council's General Fund balance of £1,504k against a budgeted decrease of £104k			
(2) the details of specific budgetary issues identified by officers and the actions being taken to address those issues is noted			
(3) the current level of Capital expenditure as shown in Appendix 2 of the report is noted.			
REASON FOR DECISION:			
It is a good practice for members to be regularly informed of the current financial position of the Council. This report is intended to make members any of any significant issues in relation to financial standing and any actions that officers are taking in response to identified variances.			
ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:			
A wide range of options are being explored by officers in order to reduce budgetary pressure, to achieve savings targets, and to ensure value for money.			
OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:			
None			
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):			
None			

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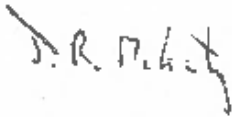
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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	11 October 2023	Item No.	10
Title	Non-Resident Burial Fees		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor Hannah Norman)		
Report Author	Greg Maw, Head of Finance and Resources		
Wards Affected	All Wards	Key Decision	Yes

DECISION:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) non-residents' fees are put in place to residents that are not living within the Gloucester City boundary
- (2) a non-resident fee will be charged if the person being buried (the deceased) wasn't living in Gloucester when they died. This is on top of the **Exclusive Right of Burial Fee** meaning that people who don't reside in Gloucester, but who want to be buried in Gloucester Cemeteries, will pay more than residents who do live in Gloucester City boundary. This will not apply to persons that have a pre purchased grave in Gloucester Cemeteries, a person who will be interred into a re-opened grave and a person who was once a resident of Gloucester City boundary but moved out of the boundary to reside in a nursing home, hospice, or something of a similar nature, the latter scenario to be entirely at the Council's sole discretion.

REASON FOR DECISION:

The rationale behind the increase is to ensure we have sufficient space to accommodate residents needs into the future, to allow us to ensure that we accommodate all residents that do not wish to be cremated.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

To continue to allow all to make use of the burial land at Gloucester Cemetery meaning the burial land will be used sooner than the planned, should burial land not be allocated by such time we would no longer be able to offer residents the option of burial which mean the residents who have a religious belief of burial not cremation would not be able to be accommodated at Gloucester.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

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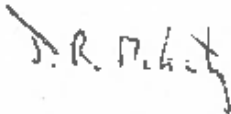
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Decision Of	Cabinet		
Date of Decision	11 October 2023	Item No.	11
Title	Disposal of Herbert, Kimberley and Phillpotts Warehouses		
Report Of	Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources (Councillor Hannah Norman)		
Report Author	Philip Ardley, Regeneration Consultant		
Wards Affected	Westgate	Key Decision	Yes

DECISION:

RESOLVED that:

- (1) the actions taken to date are noted
- (2) the Head of Finance & Resources (S151 Officer) is authorised to continue negotiations with the interested parties and, in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources, to accept an offer of an assignment of the existing leases or the grant of a new lease, which taking into account the opinion of external advisers is considered to represent best value consideration to the Council provided that:
 - a) the consideration shall be payable in full upon the final assignment or grant of a new lease; and
 - b) the transaction shall be an outright assignment or grant of lease at arms' length, without any obligation for a continuing relationship with the Council other than as landlord
- (3) authority is delegated to the Head of Finance & Resources (S151 Officer) in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Policy & Resources and the Director, One Legal to take all necessary steps and undertake necessary procedures including entering into any legal arrangements or other documentation as may be required to implement the disposal of these three warehouses.

REASON FOR DECISION:

Officers have assessed the four bids and recommend that the most viable and deliverable bid has been made by Developer C and therefore should be considered as the preferred bidder. The Council's appointed agents should be asked to prepare initial Heads of Terms and seek to achieve a deposit if an exclusivity agreement is signed. Ideally a down payment should be required on Agreement to Lease, if before planning determination, and the balance within 30 days of receipt of a satisfactory planning consent.

The reasoning behind the recommendation is detailed in the report (7.2-5).

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:

The site is largely vacant hence under used and bringing the buildings into a full use that will contribute to the local economy is seen as important to the regeneration of this area of the city. It will also strengthen the link between the docks and the city centre. The site could be converted for a range of uses, some of which have been reflected in the tenders received for purchase. The site was marketed without uses being specified which has enabled an assessment of some alternative uses.

One alternative would be to leave the warehouses largely vacant. This is not considered desirable and would go against one of the key reasons for the Council vacating the properties originally.

Another alternative would be for the City Council to bring the buildings back into use itself, in order to achieve other Council outcomes, for instance to provide additional housing in the City. This option remains a possibility if the disposal options deliver less value than this alternative.

OTHER RELEVANT MATTERS CONCERNING THE DECISION:

None

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (including any dispensations granted):

None

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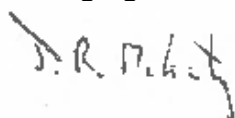
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CALL-IN PROCEDURE

Call-in should only be used in exceptional circumstances, such as where Members have evidence which suggests that the Cabinet did not take the decision in accordance with the principles set out in Article 13 (Decision Making) of the Council's Constitution.

Call-in of a decision must be requested within five working days of the publication of an executive decision. The request must be communicated in writing to the Corporate Director of Resources by at least five Members of the Council.

Implementation of a decision that has been called-in is suspended until such time as it has been considered by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and re-considered by the Cabinet in light of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee's conclusions and any recommendations.

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